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1. Col. Karol Lepčik, 48 years old, with blond hair and robust figure, of Volhynian origin, a member of the Military Bureau of the Presidency, left Prague for Moscow at the beginning of January 1954. He has been charged with organizing the preparations for the trip to the USSR of Antonín Zápotocký, President of Czechoslovakia, who has been pronounced ill.
2. Zápotocký, who left Prague on 5 Jan 54, is going to Alushta in the Crimea for treatment. Zápotocký opposed taking such a trip, but the Soviets insisted and Ambassador Bogomolov has so advised the Czech Government.
3. Col. Lepčik, who was born in the USSR and speaks Russian, belongs to the MVD (Soviet secret police). He will watch Zápotocký.

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